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**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a)**

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Invention Title  
**METHODS OF STABILIZING  
AZITHROMYCIN**

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

Date: February 8, 2006

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Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed August 9, 2005 for the above-identified patent application.
2. No additional claims fees are due.
3. Applicants hereby request a **three-month extension of time** to respond to the Office Action of August 9, 2005, which set a three-month period for response. The extended period for response expires on February 9, 2006. Please charge the three-month extension fee of **\$1,020.00** and any additional fees to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number 11-0600.
4. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.
5. A copy of this form is enclosed for charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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